

#### U.S. DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION

# FEDERAL HIGHWAY ADMINISTRATION CALIFORNIA DIVISION 650 Capitol Mall, Suite 4-100 Sacramento, CA. 95814 August 1, 2006

IN REPLY REFER TO HDA-CA Document #: 49411

Director Will Kempton California Department of Transportation 1120 N Street, Mail Station 82 P.O. Box 942874 Sacramento, California 94274-0001

Re: FY 2004/05 to 2005/07 Federal Transportation Improvement Program; SLOCOG Highway and Transit FSTIP Amendment #13

Attention: Rachel Falsetti, Transportation Programming, MS-82

Dear Mr. Will Kempton:

We have completed our review of the San Luis Obispo Council of Governments' (SLOCOG) 2004/05 to 2004/07 Federal Transportation Improvement Program (FTIP) Amendment # 13, as requested by your letter of May 5, 2006. This SLOCOG FTIP amendment includes funding for the following projects:

Morro Bay Harborwalk total cost of \$2,335,000 Promenade IV total cost of \$1,399,000 SLORTA Operating with 5311 total cost of \$1,751,000 Cayuocos Old Creek bridge Crossing total cost of \$250,000 Cayuocos Scenic Viewshed total cost of \$1,100,000

The Cayucos Scenic Viewshed project is approved for inclusion in the FSTIP as reflected below:

### San Luis Obispo Region (in \$000s)

#### San Luis Obispo County

MPO ID: 22300000002 Capacity Status: NCI
TITLE: Cayucos Scenic Viewshed

DESCRIPTION: Purchase scenic easement of 910 acres bounded by Highway 1 and the ocean front Estero Bluffs State

Park.

B	TOTAL	PRIOR	04/05	05/06	06/07	07/08	08/09	PE	RW	CON
Loc Funds - Agency	\$450		\$450					\$450		
National Scenic Byways Prog.	\$500			\$500					\$500	
STIP-RIP (TE)	\$150				\$150				\$150	
TOTAL	\$1,100			\$500	\$600				\$1,100	





We find that SLOCOG's FTIP amendment was developed based on a continuing, cooperative, and comprehensive transportation planning process in accordance with 23 USC 134 &135, 49 USC 5303-5305, and 23 CFR 450. This amendment has met the financial constraint requirements included in our transportation planning regulations, i.e. 23 CFR 450.324(e). Additionally, the San Luis Obispo region is in attainment of the national ambient air quality standards of the Clean Air Act, and is not subject to the transportation conformity regulations {40 CFR 93}.

This letter constitutes approval, and inclusion of SLOCOG's FTIP Amendment # 13 into California's 2004/05-06/07 Federal Statewide Transportation Improvement Program (FSTIP), with the understanding that the eligibility of individual projects is subject to the applicant's satisfaction of all FTA and FHWA administrative requirements. The Cayucos Scenic Viewshed project is approved for inclusion in the FSTIP as reflected above.

This approval is based on the California Department of Transportation's assurance that the funding for this amendment does not adversely impact the FSTIP Financial Plan.

If you have any questions regarding this determination, please do not hesitate to contact Ms. Grace S. Balmir of the Los Angeles Metropolitan Office at (213) 202-3953 or Mr. Jerome Wiggins of the Federal Transit Administration at (415) 744-2819.

Sincerely,

/s/ Leslie Rogers

/s/ K. Sue Kiser

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